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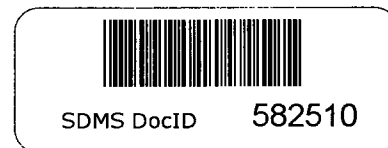
MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 15, 1993

SUBJ: Site Investigation Closure  
Reef (Burt Company) Site, Portland, Maine

FROM: Mary Ellen Stanton, Site Investigator *ms*  
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TO: David McIntyre, Chief  
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In accordance with section 300.410 of the NCP, a Removal Site Evaluation, consisting of a Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation (PA/SI), has been undertaken for the Reef (Burt Company) Site in Portland, Maine. The findings of the Removal Site Evaluation, summarized in a PA/SI Report, have been evaluated under the criteria set forth in section 300.415 of the NCP and section 104(a), (b) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9604(a), (b). The Removal Site Evaluation has led to the determination that a Removal Action is not appropriate at this time. The removal site evaluation was therefore terminated pursuant to section 300.410(e) of the NCP.

The findings of the Removal Site Evaluation are as follows:

1. Source and nature of the release or threat of release:

- a. Please refer to the document entitled "Removal Program Preliminary Assessment/Site Investigation For Reef (Burt Company) site, Portland, Maine" by Roy F. Weston Technical Assistance Team (April 1991), and to the site file.
- b. The major hazardous substances, pollutants, and/or contaminants that are being released or for which there is threat of release:

<u>Substances</u>	<u>Media</u>
Lead	Soil
Chromium	Soil

2. Evaluation of the threat to public health, welfare and the environment:

- a. Federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry:

Threat \_\_\_\_\_ No Threat \_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation \_\_\_\_x\_\_\_\_  
Not Necessary

- b. Endangerment to the ecosystem:

Threat \_\_\_\_\_ No Threat \_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation \_\_\_\_x\_\_\_\_  
Not Necessary

3. The Removal Site Evaluation was terminated pursuant to section 300.400(e) of the NCP for the following reason(s):

- ( ) There is no release.
- ( ) The source is neither a "vessel" nor a "facility" as defined in section 300.5 of the NCP.
- ( ) The release involves neither a hazardous substance, nor a pollutant or contaminant that may present an imminent and substantial danger to public health or welfare.
- (x) The amount, quantity, or concentration released does not warrant Federal response.
- ( ) The release consists of a situation specified in section 300.400(b) subject to limitations on response.
- ( ) A party responsible for the release, or any other person, is providing appropriate response, and on-scene monitoring by the government is not required.
- ( ) The Removal Site Evaluation is complete.

4. As reflected in Section 3. above, the Removal Site Evaluation was terminated for reasons other than its completion. Therefore, some or all of the following bases for a Removal Action pursuant to section 300.415(b)(2) of the NCP do not exist at this time:

Actual or potential exposure to nearby human populations, animals, or the food chain from hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants;

Actual or potential contamination of drinking water supplies or sensitive ecosystems;

Hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants in drums, barrels, tanks, or other bulk storage containers, that may pose a threat of release;

High levels of hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants in soils largely at or near the surface, that may migrate;

Weather conditions that may cause hazardous substances or pollutants or contaminants to migrate or be released;

Threat of fire or explosion;

The availability of other appropriate Federal or State response mechanisms to respond to the release; and

Other situations or factors that may pose threats to public health or welfare or the environment.

5. The absence of some or all of the conditions specified in Section 4. above suggest that a Removal Action under section 300.415 of the NCP is not necessary.

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Reef (Burt Company) Site File